GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4074
ANSWERED ON:18.08.2000
VISIT OF INDIAN TOURISTS ABROAD
ANIL BASU

Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the outflow of Indian tourists abroad during the last three years including first quarter of the current financial year and also the amount spent by such tourists in foreign countries (in Dollar); and

(b) the inflow of foreign tourists during the same period and the foreign exchange earned from such foreign tourists (in Dollar)?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTHKUMAR)

(a): Total number of Indian nationals departed from India for visiting other countries during the years 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000 (January to June) are as follows:-

Year	Number of Indian Nationals going abroad (In Million)
1997	3.73
1998	3.81
1999	3.88
2000 (January to June)	2.00

Information regarding amount spent by such tourists in foreign countries is not maintained.

(b): Total number of foreign tourists who have visited the country along with the estimated foreign exchange earnings from them during the years 1997, 1998, 1999 and 2000 (January-June) is as follows:

Year	Number of foreign tourists (In Million)	Estimated Foreign Exchange Earnings (In Million US$)
1997	2.37	2913.54
1998	2.36	2935.15
1999	2.48	3035.69
2000 (January to June)	1.26	1548.62